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years following October 1, 1998, unless such change is approved by HUD.

§ 902.3 Scope.

The PHAS is a strategic measure of a PHA's essential housing operations. The PHAS, however, does not evaluate a PHA's compliance with or response to every Department-wide or program specific requirement or objective. Although not specifically referenced in this part, PHAs remain responsible for complying with such requirements as fair housing and equal opportunity requirements, requirements under section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794) and requirements of programs under which the PHA is receiving assistance. A PHA's adherence to these requirements will be monitored in accordance with the applicable program regulations and the PHA's Annual Contributions Contract (ACC).

§ 902.5 Applicability.

- (a) PHAs, RMCs, AMEs. (1) Scoring of RMCs and AMEs. This part applies to PHAs, Resident Management Corporations (RMCs) and Alternate Management Entities (AMEs), as described in this section. As described in this section, this part is also applicable to RMCs that receive direct funding from HUD in accordance with section 20 of the 1937 Act (DF-RMCs).
- (i) RMCs and DF-RMCs will be assessed and issued their own numeric scores under the PHAS based on the public housing developments or portions of public housing developments that they manage and the responsibilities they assume which can be scored under PHAS. References in this part to PHAs include RMCs and this part is applicable to RMCs unless stated otherwise. References in this part to RMCs include DF-RMCs and this part is applicable to DF-RMCs unless otherwise stated.
- (ii) AMEs are not issued PHAS scores. The performance of the AME contributes to the PHAS score of the PHA or PHAs for which they assumed management responsibilities.
- (2) PHA ultimate responsible entity under ACC, except where DF-RMC as-

sumes management operations. (i) Because the PHA and not the RMC/AME is ultimately responsible to HUD under the ACC, the PHAS score of a PHA will be based on all of the developments covered by the ACC, including those with management operations assumed by an RMC or AME (including a court ordered receivership agreement, if applicable).

- (ii) A PHA's PHAS score will not be based on developments managed by a DF-RMC.
- (b) *Implementation of PHAS.* The regulations in this part are applicable to PHAs with fiscal years ending on and after September 30, 1999.
- (1) PHAs with fiscal years ending September 30, 1999 or December 31, 1999. For PHAs with fiscal years ending September 30, 1999, or December 31, 1999, HUD will not issue PHAS scores for the fiscal years ending on these dates. For these PHAs, in lieu of a PHAS score, HUD will issue the following:
- (i) PHAS Advisory Score. A PHA with a fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, or December 31, 1999, will be issued a PHAS advisory score for PHAS Indicators #1 (Physical), #2 (Financial), and #4 (Resident Service and Satisfaction). The PHA must comply with the requirements of this part so that HUD may issue the advisory score. Physical inspections will be conducted using HUD uniform physical inspection protocol
- (ii) Management Assessment Score. A PHA with a fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, or December 31, 1999, will receive an assessment score on the basis of HUD's assessment of the PHA's management operations in accordance with subpart D of this part.
- (2) PHAs with fiscal years ending after December 31, 1999. PHAs with fiscal years ending after December 31, 1999, will be issued PHAS scores.
- (c) Chart on PHAS Advisory Score and PHAS Score Schedule. The following chart illustrates when advisory scores will be issued and when PHAS scores will be issued and for which PHAS indicators.